

Application No. 10/559,996

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REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 1-20 remain in the application. New claims 1-20 are based on original claims 1-20. Claim 1 has been amended in that the compositions according to the invention have "at least two groups of the formula (IIa)". The disclosure therefor can be found in paragraph [0034] of the U.S. publication. Claims 2-5 correspond to previous claims 2-5, wherein in claims 3 and 4, the groups have been amended to formula (IIa) accordingly. Claim 6 has been amended by replacing the term "formula II" by the term "formula (IIa)". In claim 6, the index "a" of formula XIV has been replaced by the index "h". The disclosure therefor can be found on page 25 of the English description text. In claim 7, the term "formula II" has correspondingly been replaced by the term "formula (IIa)". Claims 8-20 remain unamended except for minor formalities.

New claims are novel over Pregel et al. Pregel et al. describe a compound which exhibits one group of formula II of the present invention. The subject-matter of new claims 1, 6 and 7 differ from Pregel et al. in that the compounds exhibit at least two groups of formula (IIa).

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required in this application under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16-1.17 during its entire pendency, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 06-1135. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 06-1135.

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